## DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA + + + + + ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL BOARD + + + + + MEETING

IN THE MATTER OF:

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Po'Boy, LLC

t/a Johnny's Half Shell

\* Show Cause
400 North Capitol Street, NW

\* Hearing
Retailer CR - ANC-6C

License No. 74573

Case #14-CMP-00776

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(No ABC Manager on Duty)

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### August 5, 2015

The Alcoholic Beverage Control Board met in the Alcoholic Beverage Control Hearing Room, Reeves Building, 2000 14th Street, N.W., Suite 400S, Washington, D.C. 20009, Chairperson Ruthanne Miller, presiding.

#### PRESENT:

RUTHANNE MILLER, Chairperson NICK ALBERTI, Member DONALD BROOKS, Member MIKE SILVERSTEIN, Member HECTOR RODRIGUEZ, Member JAMES SHORT, Member

#### ALSO PRESENT:

FERNANDO RIVERO, OAG SHAWN TOWNSEND, ABRA Investigator

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1B	Notice of Violation	10	10

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1	P-R-O-C-E-E-D-I-N-G-S		
2	11:25 a.m.		
3	CHAIRPERSON MILLER: Okay. We have a		
4	quorum. Good morning. We are now back on the		
5	record for Case No. 14-CMP-00776, Johnny's Half		
6	Shell located at 400 North Capitol Street, N.W.,		
7	License No. 74573, in ANC-6C. This is a Show		
8	Cause Hearing.		
9	Would the parties introduce themselves		
10	for the record, please?		
11	MR. RIVERO: Good morning, Board		
12	Members. Fernando Rivero for the District of		
13	Columbia.		
14	CHAIRPERSON MILLER: Okay. Is anybody		
15	here from Johnny's Half Shell? Not seeing anyone		
16	from Johnny' Half Shell, it's 11:25, this hearing		
17	was called for 11:00. The Board hasn't received		
18	any phone call from the licensee.		
19	Do you have any word whether the		
20	licensee is on his way or anything like that?		
21	MR. RIVERO: The Government's last		

conversation with the licensee was to ensure that

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1	the licensee agreed to pay a fine and the
2	licensee agreed to do that. And then the
3	licensee promptly changed his mind sitting at the
4	table across from me
5	CHAIRPERSON MILLER: Oh.
6	MR. RIVERO: the last time we were
7	here at the Status Hearing and that was the last
8	time I spoke with the licensee.
9	CHAIRPERSON MILLER: I mean
10	MR. RIVERO: Sitting here across from
11	me is when he asked for this hearing, so that's
12	why we are here, because he asked for the
13	hearing.
14	CHAIRPERSON MILLER: Oh, asked for the
15	hearing instead of the fine, right.
16	MR. RIVERO: Correct.
17	CHAIRPERSON MILLER: Okay.
18	MR. RIVERO: The Board asked him
19	CHAIRPERSON MILLER: And he is not
20	here.
21	MR. RIVERO: if he agreed on the
22	fine and then he changed his mind on the spot.

1	CHAIRPERSON MILLER: Right. I recall
2	that actually. Okay. So we are here for a
3	hearing then. Are you prepared to go forward ex
4	parte?
5	MR. RIVERO: Of course.
6	CHAIRPERSON MILLER: Okay. Then
7	whenever you are ready.
8	MR. RIVERO: Thank you.
9	CHAIRPERSON MILLER: Okay.
10	MR. RIVERO: Good morning, Board
11	Members. We are here in the matter of Johnny's
12	Half Shell, Case No. 14-CMP-00776, License No.
13	74573, located at 400 North Capitol Street, N.W.,
14	in Washington, D.C.
15	The Government intends to prove today
16	through the testimony of the Investigator and
17	ABRA that on Monday, December the 15th, at
18	approximately 2:10 p.m. an Alcoholic Beverage
19	Regulatory Administration Investigator visited
20	the establishment.
21	During the visit, the ABRA
22	Investigator was notified by the manager on duty,

1	Michael Clark, that his ABC License was expired
2	and that the owner, John Fulchino, was not
3	present.
4	The ABRA Investigator observed two
5	patrons consuming alcoholic beverages and that is
6	the extent of the Government's case.
7	The Government will call Investigator
8	Shawn Townsend to the stand to testify.
9	CHAIRPERSON MILLER: Good morning.
10	INVESTIGATOR TOWNSEND: Good morning.
11	Whereupon,
12	INVESTIGATOR SHAWN TOWNSEND
13	was called as a witness by Counsel for the
14	Government, and having been first duly sworn,
15	assumed the witness stand and was examined and
16	testified as follows:
17	INVESTIGATOR TOWNSEND: Yes, I do.
18	CHAIRPERSON MILLER: Okay. Thank you.
19	DIRECT EXAMINATION
20	MR. RIVERO: State your name for the
21	record and spell your last name.
22	INVESTIGATOR TOWNSEND: Shawn

1	Townsend, T-O-W-N-S-E-N-D.
2	MR. RIVERO: Mr. Townsend, what is
3	your occupation?
4	INVESTIGATOR TOWNSEND: I am an ABRA
5	Investigator.
6	MR. RIVERO: And what are the duties
7	of an ABRA Investigator?
8	INVESTIGATOR TOWNSEND: I conduct
9	investigations into licensed establishments in
10	the District of Columbia.
11	MR. RIVERO: How long have you been an
12	Investigator for ABRA?
13	INVESTIGATOR TOWNSEND: A little over
14	a year and a half.
15	MR. RIVERO: Thank you. Mr. Townsend,
16	I'm going to show you an exhibit that is marked
17	for identification as Government Exhibit 1. I
18	would like you to review it and identify the
19	document.
20	INVESTIGATOR TOWNSEND: This is my
21	investigative report.
22	MR. RIVERO: Okay. This is an

1	accurate copy of the report?
2	INVESTIGATOR TOWNSEND: Yes.
3	MR. RIVERO: For this case?
4	INVESTIGATOR TOWNSEND: Correct.
5	(Whereupon, the above-referred to
6	document was marked as Government Exhibit No. 1
7	for identification.)
8	MR. RIVERO: And so you found that the
9	report is complete with exhibits?
10	INVESTIGATOR TOWNSEND: Yes.
11	MR. RIVERO: I'm going to show you
12	what is marked as Exhibit 2. And it appears to
13	be a photocopy of a photograph that is in your
14	report, correct?
15	INVESTIGATOR TOWNSEND: Yes.
16	MR. RIVERO: Who took this photograph?
17	INVESTIGATOR TOWNSEND: I did.
18	MR. RIVERO: Okay.
19	(Whereupon, the above-referred to
20	document was marked as Government Exhibit No. 1A
21	for identification.)
22	MR. RIVERO: And you would agree that

1	the contents of this report is your testimony in
2	this case of what you observed?
3	INVESTIGATOR TOWNSEND: Yes.
4	MR. RIVERO: Thank you. The
5	Government would move Exhibit 1 into the record,
6	at this time as the Investigator's testimony.
7	Exhibit 1 is the Investigator's
8	report.
9	CHAIRPERSON MILLER: Yes.
10	MR. RIVERO: With the exhibits. And
11	attached to it is a color version of one of the
12	exhibits because the photograph in the exhibit
13	here is black and white and we just have a color
14	one that is attached as well. And that is the
15	testimony of the Investigator, Exhibit 1.
16	We have no further questions.
17	CHAIRPERSON MILLER: So Exhibit 1
18	consists of a two-page report with two exhibits.
19	Is that correct?
20	MR. RIVERO: Correct.
21	CHAIRPERSON MILLER: Okay.
22	MR. RIVERO: And we have added

1	CHAIRPERSON MILLER: And then Exhibit
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3	MR. RIVERO: a color copy of the
4	black and white photo as well.
5	CHAIRPERSON MILLER: Okay. And
6	Exhibit 3, I see also, is the Notice of
7	Violation.
8	MR. RIVERO: Correct.
9	(Whereupon, the above-referred to
10	document was marked as Government Exhibit No. 1B
11	for identification.)
12	CHAIRPERSON MILLER: So you are moving
13	the whole thing into the record?
14	MR. RIVERO: We're moving the entire
15	thing as Exhibit 1 as the testimony of the
16	Investigator. The Government rests.
17	CHAIRPERSON MILLER: Okay. So that is
18	admitted.
19	(Whereupon, the above-referred to
20	document was received into evidence as Government
21	Exhibit 1, 1A, 1B.)
22	CHAIRPERSON MILLER: It's part of the

1 record anyway. Okay. Good. All right. 2 Questions for the Investigator? Okay. Not 3 hearing any, that was a full report and the Board 4 has no questions. 5 INVESTIGATOR TOWNSEND: Thank you. CHAIRPERSON MILLER: Thank you. 6 7 Anything else? 8 Closing argument. MR. RIVERO: 9 CHAIRPERSON MILLER: Okav. 10 MR. RIVERO: The Government has, 11 obviously, met its burden by a preponderance of 12 the evidence based on the testimony contained in 13 the Investigator's report. 14 The Government recommends a fine of 15 \$500 to be paid within 30 days. And if the fine 16 is not paid, that the license be suspended until 17 payment is received. Thank you. 18 CHAIRPERSON MILLER: Okay. Thank you 19 very much. That concludes this hearing. And the 20 Board will just take a vote on deliberation of 21 the case in closed session. 22 As Chairperson of the Alcoholic

1	Beverage Control Board for the District of
2	Columbia and in accordance with DC Official Code
3	Section 2-574(b) of the Open Meetings Act, I move
4	that the ABC Board hold a closed meeting for the
5	purpose of seeking legal advice from our counsel
6	on Case No. 14-CMP-00776, Johnny's Half Shell,
7	pursuant to DC Official Code Section 2-574(b)(4)
8	of the Open Meetings Act and deliberating upon
9	this case for the reasons cited in DC Official
10	Code Section 2-574(b)(13) of the Open Meetings
11	Act.
12	And this meeting will be held today.
13	Is there a second?
14	MEMBER SHORT: Second.
15	CHAIRPERSON MILLER: Mr. Short has
16	seconded the motion. I'll now take a roll call
17	vote on the motion before us now that it has been
18	seconded.
19	Mr. Brooks?
20	MEMBER BROOKS: I agree.
21	CHAIRPERSON MILLER: Mr. Alberti?
22	MEMBER ALBERTI: I agree.

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1	CHAIRPERSON MILLER: Mr. Rodriguez?
2	MEMBER RODRIGUEZ: I agree.
3	CHAIRPERSON MILLER: Ms. Miller
4	agrees. Mr. Silverstein?
5	MEMBER SILVERSTEIN: I agree.
6	CHAIRPERSON MILLER: And Mr. Short?
7	MEMBER SHORT: I agree.
8	CHAIRPERSON MILLER: It appears that
9	the motion has passed by a 6-0-0 vote. I hereby
10	give notice that the ABC Board will hold this
11	aforementioned meeting today in accordance with
12	the Open Meetings Act and we will issue a
13	decision within 90 days.
14	Okay. So that concludes the morning's
15	hearings. So the Board will now recess and we
16	will reconvene this afternoon for the afternoon
17	hearings, which start at 1:30 p.m.
18	MEMBER RODRIGUEZ: Thank you.
19	CHAIRPERSON MILLER: Okay. All right.
20	(Whereupon, the Show Cause Hearing in
21	the above-entitled matter was concluded at 11:33
22	a.m.)

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